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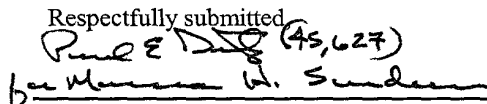
Title of Invention: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF COMPOSITE SHEETS

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- ☐ The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in application no. filed
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following sentence: This is a continuation of International Application no. PCT/FR00/02354, with an international filing date of August 22, 2000.

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